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# CPRIT Grantee Annual Compliance Training

June 2023

Academic Research



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# Training Overview

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- Introductions
- FWA Reporting
- Recent Administrative Rule Changes
- Policies and Procedures Guide Overview
- Required Reporting
- Programmatic Topics





## Sources of CPRIT Grantee Requirements

- Article III, Section 67 Texas Constitution
- Texas Health & Safety Code Chapter 102
- Texas Administrative Code Chapters 701 - 703
- Grant Contract
- Texas Grant Management Standards (formerly Uniform Grant Management Standards)

# CPRIT Policies and Procedures Guide

## Chapters Covered Today

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Chapter	Topic
5	Grant Contracts
6	Required Grant Reports
9	Allowable Costs
10	Grantee Budget/Expense Categories and Required Documentation
13	Termination, Extension, and Closeout of Grant Contracts



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# Fraud, Waste, & Abuse



# Fraud, Waste, & Abuse

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How do I Make a Report?

**Use Client Code #5124633190**

(Users can remain anonymous)

**Call**

1-877-64-RedFlag

(1-877-647-3335)

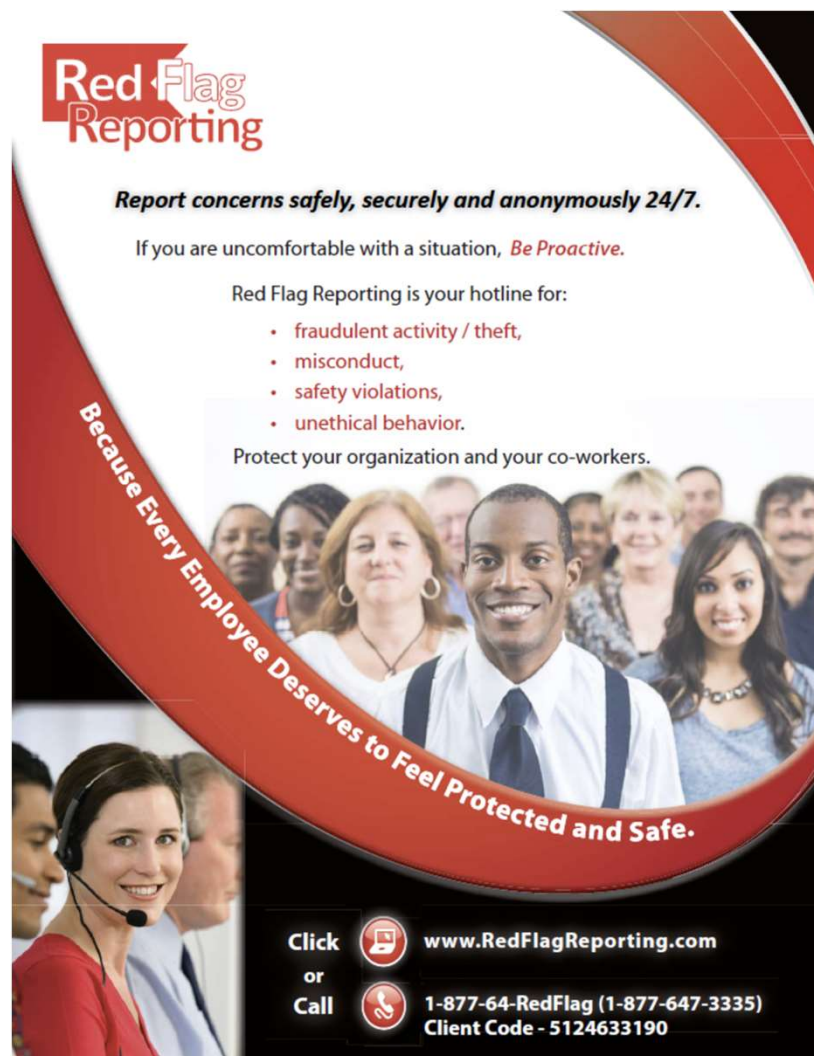
**Online**

[www.RedFlagReporting.com](http://www.RedFlagReporting.com)





# Fraud, Waste, & Abuse

A poster for Red Flag Reporting. It features a large red curved banner across the middle. The background shows a diverse group of smiling employees. In the bottom left, a woman is wearing a headset, suggesting a call center. The text is as follows:

**Red Flag Reporting**

**Report concerns safely, securely and anonymously 24/7.**

If you are uncomfortable with a situation, *Be Proactive.*

Red Flag Reporting is your hotline for:

- fraudulent activity / theft,
- misconduct,
- safety violations,
- unethical behavior.

Protect your organization and your co-workers.

**Because Every Employee Deserves to Feel Protected and Safe.**

Click  [www.RedFlagReporting.com](http://www.RedFlagReporting.com)  
or  
Call  **1-877-64-RedFlag (1-877-647-3335)**  
Client Code - 5124633190



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# Administrative Rules and Policies and Procedures Guide





## How to Stay in the Know

- ☑ Check CPRIT's website
- ☑ Receive CPRIT listserv emails
- ☑ Watch Oversight Committee meetings
- ☑ Attend training webinars

# Recent Administrative Rule Changes

Definition and Use of  
“Scope of Work”

Corrections to Financial  
Status Report (FSR)  
Supporting  
Documentation

Eligible Grantee  
Matching Funds

# Definition of “Scope of Work”

## § 701.3(63)

*Proposed rule change*

*Public comment period is open.*

- Scope of Work: the goals and objectives or specific aims and sub aims, if appropriate, of the Cancer Research or Cancer Prevention project, including the timeline and milestones to be achieved.
- RFA will specify applicable terminology for a grant mechanism.



Public comment period is open through July 3<sup>rd</sup>.



The Oversight Committee will consider final adoption at the August 16<sup>th</sup> meeting.

## Use of “Scope of Work”

§§ 701.3(29), 703.6,  
703.7, 703.10, 703.21,  
703.25

*Proposed rule change*

*Public comment period is  
open.*

- These are non substantive changes that ensure consistent use of “Scope of Work” in CPRIT’s rules.



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# Corrections to Financial Status Report (FSR) Supporting Documentation

§703.24(a)(5)

*Adopted & final in 2022*

Requires a grantee to submit corrections to FSR supporting documentation within five (5) business days after CPRIT makes the request.



If a grantee does not meet the deadline, then CPRIT may disapprove the FSR.

## Eligible Grantee Matching Funds

§ 703.11(c)(7)

*Adopted & final in 2022*

- Adds relocation costs to Texas as a source of encumbered funds that a grantee may use to fulfill their matching funds requirement.





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## **Grant Policies and Procedures Guide**

A resource for CPRIT grant  
applicants and grant recipients.

June 2022

# Policies & Procedures Guide Overview



## Statute, Rules and Grant Policies Guide

### Statutes

[Texas Health and Safety Code Chapter 102](#)

[Article III of Texas Constitution establishing CPRIT](#)

### Rules

[Texas Administrative Code, Title 25, Chapters 701 – 703](#)

### Current Rulemaking Project

At its February 16, 2022, meeting, the Oversight Committee approved the release of proposed changes to existing agency rules.

If CPRIT takes equity in a grantee, the proposed amendment to § 703.17 would require the agency to specify in the grant contract any changes from standard grantee reporting requirements and associated consequences for a grantee failing to timely report. When CPRIT takes equity in a grantee, issues related to equity ownership may affect certain standard grantee reporting requirements, such as the schedule for the grantee to certify and verify its matching funds obligation.

Written comments may be submitted through April 4, 2022, to CPRIT's General Counsel, Kristen Doyle, by fax (512/475-2563); by email ([kdoyle@cprit.texas.gov](mailto:kdoyle@cprit.texas.gov)); or by mail to the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas, P.O. Box 12097, ATTN: Rulemaking Project, Austin, Texas, 78711.

The Oversight Committee expects to consider a final order that reflects the comments received on the proposed rule and any recommended changes at their meeting on May 18, 2022.

[Proposed change to Texas Administrative Code Title 25, Chapter 703](#)

### Recently Adopted Rule Changes

At its February meeting, the Oversight Committee also approved the final adoption of recent changes to § 703.26 that were initially presented at the November 18, 2021, meeting. The amendments to § 703.26 add parking as a reimbursable clinical trial participation cost, correct the statutory reference of the Cancer Clinical Trial Participation Program to Texas Health and Safety Code Chapter 51, and correct a grammatical error.

Beginning March 10, 2022, Texas Administrative Code Chapter 703 will reflect the recent rule amendments, which are also available [here](#).

### Grant Policy Guides

- [CPRIT Policies and Procedures Guide](#)  
The current version of the Cancer Policies & Procedures Guide is dated December 2021.
- [Uniform Grant Management Standards](#)

CPRIT's website is the best  
place to find the current rules  
and P&P Guide

<https://cprit.texas.gov/about-us/statute-rules-and-grant-policies-guide/>

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# Administrative Rules and Policies and Procedures Guide Q & A



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# Required Grant Reports



## Polling Question

**All CPRIT required reports should be submitted on an annual basis?**

**Answer: False**

**Seven of the required CPRIT reports are submitted annually.**

# Reporting Requirements



## Annual

- Inventory Report
- Revenue Sharing Report
- HUB/Texas Suppliers Report
- Matching Compliance Certification
- Annual Progress Report
- Single Audit Determination Form
- Audit Report



## Quarterly

- Financial Status Report
- Quarterly Progress Report

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# Progress Reports

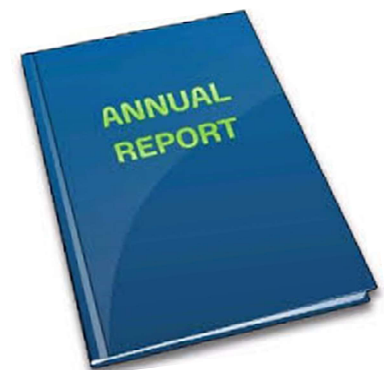


## Progress Reports

**Ensure that Progress Reports contain accurate and complete impact data.**

**This includes, but is not limited to:**

- All Publications (manuscripts to published)
- Follow-on funds
- Patents and Patent Applications
- Clinical trials
- Core Facility Support Award user data
- Research training award data





# Progress Reports

- Economic Impact (*Prevention Grants only*)
  - How many NEW jobs were created = the number of positions filled during the last year (including the final report; final report should NOT be the cumulative number over the entire project). This number should be ZERO if positions haven't been added during the grant year
  - How many jobs were maintained = the number of positions that continue from the year



## Progress Reports – Common Errors

Incomplete report

Overlap with previous reports

Duplicate entries (publications, jobs, etc.)

Inconsistencies between narrative and data entered

# CPRIT Acknowledgment

Printed and visual materials related to CPRIT funding should include CPRIT acknowledgment and grant ID.

Publications not funded by CPRIT, should not be included in the progress report

**RR grants only** - Recruitment awardees are expected to report on all cancer-related publications

# CPRIT Acknowledgment

## **Funding**

This work was conducted with support from [redacted] Cancer Prevention Research Institute of Texas (CPRIT) RP150587. [redacted] was supported by a Career Development Award (CDA 11-217) from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. The content is solely the responsibility of the authors and does not necessarily represent the official views of the National Institutes of Health.

P&P Guide Reference:  
5.10 Acknowledgement of CPRIT Funding

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# Financial Status Report (FSR)



## Polling Question

**A justification memo or letter should be included with the FSR supporting documentation for expenses submitted “outside the period”.**

**Answer: True**

## Polling Question

**How many days does a grantee have to respond to a request for additional FSR documentation?**

- A. 21 days
- B. 5 days
- C. 30 days

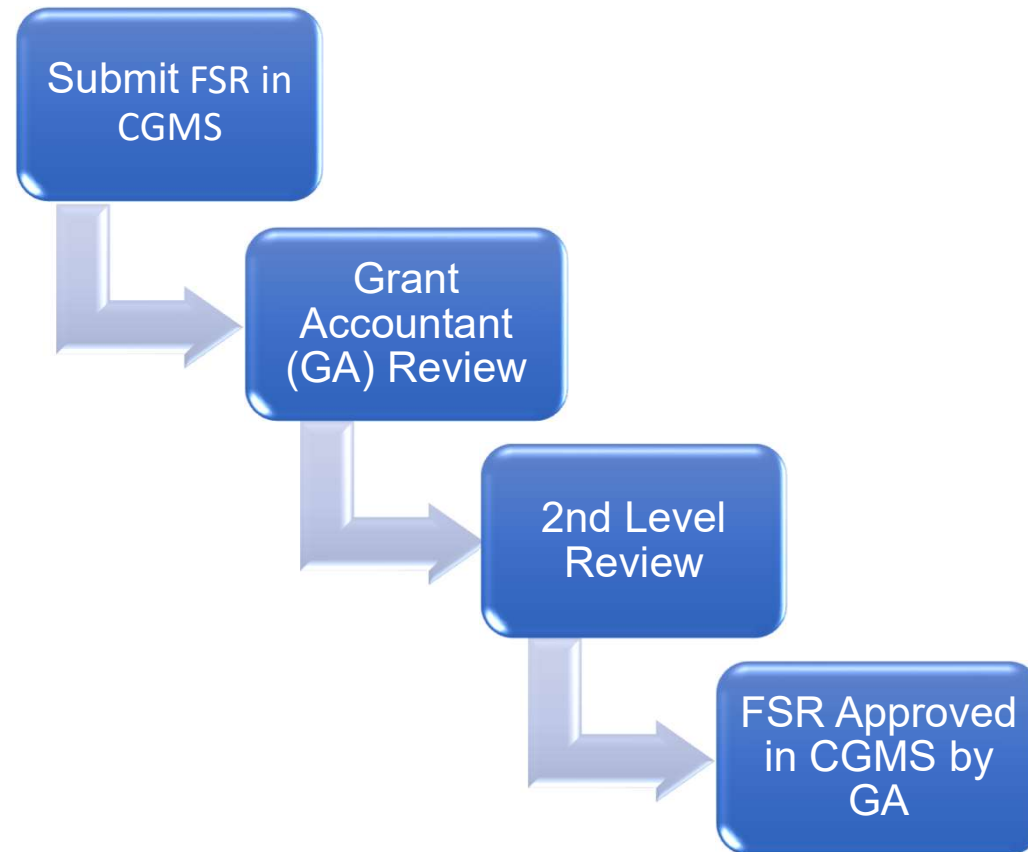
**Answer: B**

## FSR – Due Dates

<b>Fiscal Quarter/ Reporting Period</b>	<b>FSR Due Date</b>	<b>Last Day of Grace Period</b>
<b>Sept 1 – Nov 30</b>	Feb 28	Mar 30
<b>Dec 1 – Feb 28</b>	May 29	June 28
<b>Mar 1 – May 31</b>	Aug 29	Sept 28
<b>June 1 – Aug 31</b>	Nov 29	Dec 29



# FSR Review and Approval Process



## FSR Required Supporting Documentation

Every Financial Status Report (FSR) must include a summary report of expenses generated directly from an accounting system or itemized on an **Excel spreadsheet**, as well as documentation to support grant costs paid during the current reporting period.

**The report must contain the following information:**

- **expense categories**
- **itemized expenses**
- **description of items**
- **date paid**
- **amount paid with expense totals broken down by category**

## FSR Required Supporting Documentation

If the date paid is not found in the summary report, it should be noted on invoices.

A payment claimed for a period prior to the current period should be accompanied by an **Out of Period (OTP)** letter or memo explaining why the payment was not claimed in the appropriate period.

# FSR Support Documentation Resources



## FSR Required Supporting Documentation by Expense Category

Details the documentation a grantee must provide to support expenses reported for each budget category



## CPRIT FSR Checklist

A tool to assist grantees submit accurate information and documentation for all costs requested for reimbursement.

# FSR Submissions Checklist



Expenses are paid within FSR period



Payment date is included for all transactions



FSR amounts match ledger totals by expense category



Supporting documents are scanned in the same order as the transaction listing



# FSR Submissions Checklist



Supporting documents are legible



Invoice amounts match amounts shown on the ledger and partial charges are explained on the invoice



Expenses are allowable and properly categorized



A memo justification for cost out of period is provided



# FSR – Examples of Unallowable Costs



INDIVIDUAL  
PROFESSIONAL  
MEMBERSHIP FEES



ALCOHOL



TIPS & GRATUITIES



BAD DEBT



LOBBYING COSTS



ENTERTAINMENT

# Common FSR Review Issues

Mis-categorization  
of expenses

Reimbursement  
amount is not clear

Documents are not  
clearly labeled

Invoices lack  
detailed purchase  
description

Lack of response  
from grantee for  
additional  
information



## Mis-categorization of Expenses

- Expense mis-categorization is most common in these three budget categories;
  - Supplies
  - Other
  - Equipment
- Ensure that your budget justification allocates expenses to the appropriate budget category.

The FSR was submitted with \$88,645.78 in expenses classified as "Other." After reviewing the supporting documents, it was determined that \$40,700.26 should be allocated to "Equipment," \$44,165.52 should be allocated to "Supplies," and \$3780 should be allocated to "Other."

Pay Date	Descr	Budget Category	BUDG	Descr2	Fund	Dept	Project	Document	Expended	Pay Period/Details	Account	Invoice Date	Line Item #
11/1/2022	IMS SOA IDT CHARGES	7. Other	30	Maintenance & Operation	42044	M2800	187740	ITIT00218810	40,700.26	IMS SOA MONTHLY CHARG " 112022	773034	11/1/2022	1
11/1/2022	IMS SOA IDT CHARGES	7. Other	30	Maintenance & Operation	42044	M2800	187740	ITIT00218810	47,945.52	IMS SOA MONTHLY CHARG " 112022	773034	11/1/2022	1

Budget Categories		
1	Salary	\$39,237.09
2	Fringe	\$10,615.54
3	Travel	\$0.00
4	Equipment	\$40,700.26
5	Supplies	\$44,165.52
6	Contractual	\$0.00
7	Other	3,780
8	Indirect Costs	\$7,289.39
Total		\$145,787.80

■ Dell DIR-TSO-3763

■ OMNIA #R200803

## Hardware

Description		Price
<b>PowerEdge R7525 - [amer_r7525_13945]</b>		\$40,700.26
Description	SKUQuantity	
SAS/SATA Backplane	379-BDSS	
PowerEdge R7525 Server	210-AUVQ	
Trusted Platform Module 2.0 V3	461-AAIG	
8X 3.5 SAS/SATA with XGMI	321-BFDU	
AMD 7702 2GHz,64C/128T,256M,200W,3200	338-BSWI	
AMD 7702 2GHz,64C/128T,256M,200W,3200	338-BSWI	
Additional Processor Selected	379-BDCO	
Heatsink for 2 CPU + GPU/FPGA/Full Length card configs configuration	412-AASZ	
Performance Optimized	370-AAIP	
3200MT/s RDIMMs	370-AEVR	
RAID 5	780-BCDP	
PERC H745 Controller, Front	405-AAUZ	

Reclassified from  
"other" to "equipment"



## Hardware

Description		Price	Qty	Ext. Price
<div>- ME4084 Drive Upgrades</div>		\$788.67	56	\$44,165.52
	Quantity	Subtotal		
18TB Hard Drive SAS 12Gbps 7.2K 512e 3.5in Hot-Plug, CUS Kit	56			
Estimated delivery if purchased today: Oct. 17, 2022 Contract # C000000006679				
Description	SKU	Unit Price	Quantity	Subtotal
18TB Hard Drive SAS 12Gbps 7.2K 512e 3.5in Hot-Plug, CUS Kit	400-BLWT	-	56	
			Subtotal:	\$44,165.52

Reclassified from "other"  
to "supplies"

## Services

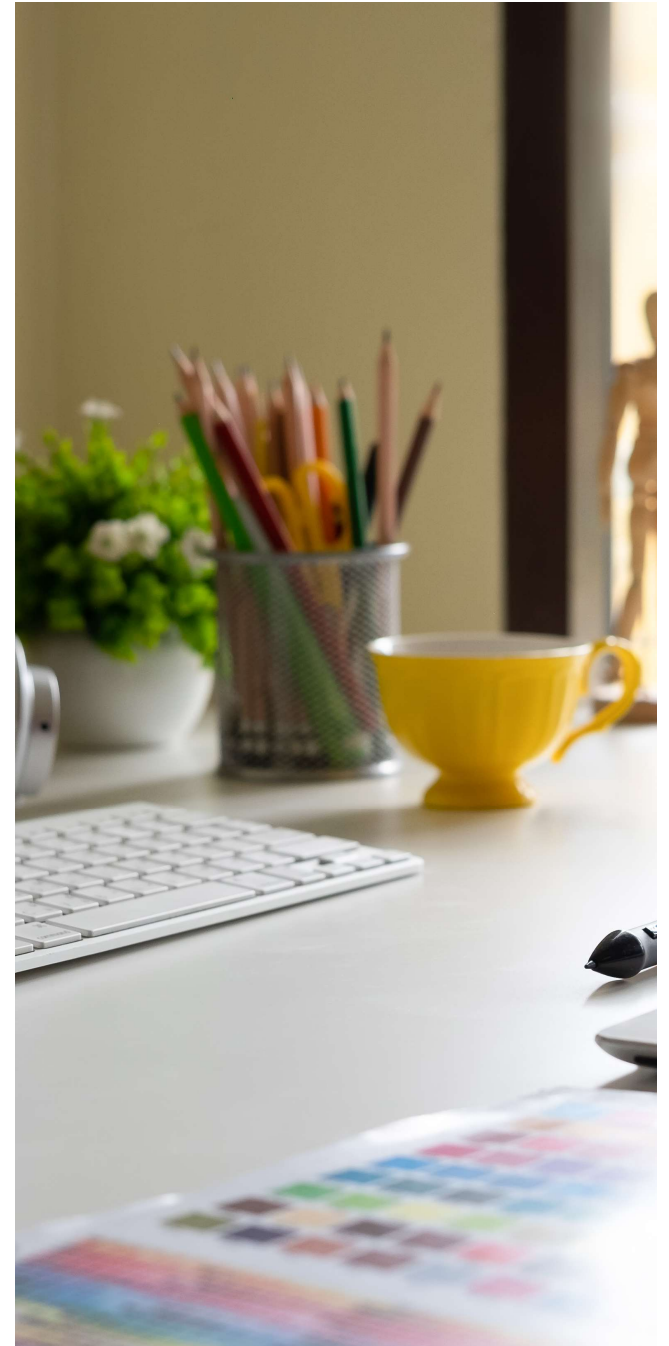
Description	Price	Qty	Ext. Price
<b>Services: Block Hours</b> Enterprise Block Hours - Enterprise Block Hours Services can be used for a number of services. 20 Hours of Services are estimated to complete the installation and configuration of the 56 drives in the M4084E Drive Array.	\$189.00	20	\$3,780.00
Subtotal:			<b>\$3,780.00</b>

Correctly classified as  
"other"

# Supplies Category Expenses

- Desktop and laptop computers (including notebooks, tablets, and similar devices)
- Non-portable printers and copiers
- Communication devices (mobile telephones)
- Lab materials
- Office Supplies
- Equipment with unit cost of less than \$5000

P&P Guide Reference:  
10.6 Supplies Expense Category



# Other Category Expenses

- Printing and reproduction expenses
- Gift or gas cards
- Publication fees
- Equipment warranties and service contracts
- Conference/registration fees
  - *Conference and seminar registration fees should be reported in the "other" category when incurred by the institution/organization or when paid by an employee, but employee is not requesting travel reimbursement.*
- Postage and shipping services (FedEx, UPS), etc.

P&P Guide Reference:  
10.8 Other Expense Category







## Equipment Category Expenses

- Equipment with unit cost of \$5000 or more

P&P Guide Reference:  
12.4.4.7 Equipment

# Reimbursement Amount Not Clear

- Identify the amount charged to CPRIT when less than invoice amount.

<b>Item Total</b>		<b>USD</b>	<b>3,430.00</b>
<b>Gross Value</b>			3,430.00
<b>Net Value</b>			3,430.00
<b>Shipping Fees</b>			14.52
<b>Total Solution Cr.</b>			1,166.00-
<b>Amount Paid</b>		<b>USD</b>	<b>2,278.52</b>
<b>\$2,000 charged to CPRIT award</b>			
<b>Credit Card Charge Details:</b>			
MC ****5345		<b>USD</b>	<b>2,278.52</b>





# Documents Not Clearly Labeled

- Individual items referenced in GL with the same letter:

TRAVEL	19.25	I	8/24/2022
TRAVEL	23.10	I	8/24/2022
TRAVEL	30.00	I	8/24/2022
TRAVEL	24.48	I	8/24/2022
TRAVEL	✓ 989.00	I	8/24/2022
TRAVEL	725.00	I	8/24/2022
TRAVEL	18.70	I	8/24/2022
TRAVEL	17.60	I	8/24/2022
TRAVEL	20.16	I	8/24/2022
TRAVEL	33.52	I	8/24/2022
TRAVEL	29.92	I	8/24/2022
TRAVEL	46.20	I	8/24/2022
TRAVEL	6.38	J	8/24/2022
TRAVEL	4.93	J	8/24/2022
TRAVEL	790.30	J	8/24/2022
TRAVEL	36.91	J	8/24/2022
TRAVEL	9.25	J	8/24/2022
TRAVEL	5.89	J	8/24/2022
TRAVEL	14.84	J	8/24/2022
TRAVEL	33.53	J	8/24/2022
TRAVEL	9.25	J	8/24/2022



# Documents Not Clearly Labeled

- Items individually referenced

Travel Out of State	TRAVEL	251.61	D1 ✓	6/1/2022	CITIBANK N.A	4/26/2022	5/27/2022
Travel Out of State	TRAVEL	25.00	D1 ✓	6/1/2022		1/0/1900	5/16/2022
Travel Out of State	TRAVEL	600.63	D2 ✓	6/8/2022		6/2/2022	6/6/2022
	Disallowed, GL error	(0.01)	D2 ✓				
Travel Out of State	TRAVEL	27.73	D3 ✓	6/8/2022		6/2/2022	6/6/2022
	Disallowed, unknown fees	(12.63)	D3 ✓				
Travel Out of State	TRAVEL	33.26	D4 ✓	6/8/2022		6/2/2022	6/6/2022
	Disallowed, unknown fees	(8.02)	D4 ✓				
Travel Out of State	TRAVEL	11.88	D5 ✓	6/8/2022		6/2/2022	6/6/2022
	Disallowed tip	(1.00)	D5 ✓				
Travel Out of State	TRAVEL	11.88	D6 ✓	6/8/2022		6/2/2022	6/6/2022
	Disallowed tip	(1.00)	D6 ✓				
	Total Travel	939.32	C ✓				
	Total GL	38,636.55					

✓ \$11.88	D5. \$11.88
Pain au Chocolat × 1	\$5.50 ✓
A&J King Artisan Bakers	
Four Over × 1	\$5.00 ✓
Three Africas	
None	\$0.00
Purchase Subtotal	\$10.50
MA Meals Tax (7%)	\$0.38
Tip	× \$1.00
Total	\$11.88 ✓



# Invoices Lack Detailed Description

- Unclear description:

Line #	PO Line #	Description	UOM	Qty	Unit Price	Extended Amount
1	1	COLUMN C4 214TP SRS VYDAC 5UM	EA	1	\$ 1,127.6100	\$ 1,127.61

- Clear description:

10022-00	Scalpel Blades #22	2	C	54.50	0.000	109.00
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# Lack of response from grantee for additional information

## Texas Administrative Code

TITLE 25

PART 11

CHAPTER 703

RULE §703.24

HEALTH SERVICES

CANCER PREVENTION AND RESEARCH INSTITUTE OF TEXAS

GRANTS FOR CANCER PREVENTION AND RESEARCH

Financial Status Reports

(5) The Institute may request in writing that a Grant Recipient provide more information or correct a deficiency in the supporting documentation for a Financial Status Report. If a Grant Recipient does not submit the requested information within five (5) business days after the request is submitted, the Financial Status Report may be disapproved by the Institute.

TAC §703.24 (a)(15)

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# Financial Status Reports

## Q & A



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# Personnel / Fringe Expense Category



# FSR Personnel & Fringe

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- Payroll ledger included and it ties to GL
- All employees are listed on PLOE with Level of Effort for current award year
- Fringe expenses are listed by category for each employee
  - **Exception:** A copy of the agreement that describes the categories of fringe included in the pool must be provided if a grantee uses pooled fringe in accordance with a federally approved rate agreement.



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# Personnel Level of Effort (PLOE)





## Polling Question

**The personnel level of effort (PLOE) form should be updated once a year.**

Answer: False

The PLOE should be updated quarterly before submitting the FSR.

## Polling Question

**Do employees whose salaries and fringe are charged to the grant need to be listed on the PLOE?**

**Answer: Yes**

# PLOE Checklist

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- PLOE **must be updated prior** to submitting FSR
- Each employee with salary/fringe has Level of Effort for current award year
- All employees with travel, tuition, stipends and conference fees are listed on the PLOE



P&P Guide Reference:  
5.5.8 Personnel Level of Effort Form



# PLOE Checklist

PLOE change requests contain all the following elements:

- type of appointment (number of months)
- % effort
- justification for the change

Budget Summary	Details Year 1	Details Year 2	Personnel Level of Effort	Financial Status Reports	Payments	Other Financial Reports
<b>Personnel Level of Effort</b>						
Senior/Key Person and Other Personnel			Level of Effort (LOE)	Year 1	Year 2	Total Person Months Per Person
First Name	Last Name	Role on Project				
		Co-investigator	Type Appt. (months)	12	12	
			Effort on Project	0.00%	2.00%	
			Person Months	0.00	0.24	0.24
		PI/PI/CR	Type Appt. (months)	12	12	
			Effort on Project	10.00%	10.00%	
			Person Months	1.20	1.20	2.40
		Senior Research Assistant	Type Appt. (months)	12	12	
			Effort on Project	50.00%	50.00%	
			Person Months	6.00	6.00	12.00
Total Person Months Per Year				7.20	7.44	14.64

Enter information for all 3 categories

P&P Guide Reference:  
5.5.8 Personnel Level of Effort Form





- Update PLOE prior to submitting FSR
- When grant moves to closeout status
  - PLOE cannot be revised in CGMS
  - Expenses related to personnel not updated on the PLOE **will not be reimbursed**



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# Personnel Level of Effort Q & A



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# Travel Expense Category



## Polling Question

**International travel requires prior approval if it is not included in the original budget justification.**

**Answer: True**



## Polling Question

**Should meal receipts be submitted if claiming per diem?**

**Answer: No**

**Meal receipts are not required when claiming per diem**

## Travel Expense Report Requirements

For each trip taken, a separate travel expense report with all supporting documentation should be submitted, which should include:

- Grantee Name
- Traveler's Name
- Date(s) of travel
- Purpose of the travel
- Itemization of expenses
- Proof of payment

# Travel Expense Checklist



All travelers must be listed on the PLOE



Receipts should be legible and in same order as GL



Unless using per diem, meal expenses should be supported by itemized receipts.



Clearly identify meals for reimbursement on split receipts



Group and day trip meals are not allowed

# Travel Expense Checklist



Grantee **must** include documentation of CPRIT approval for all international travel expenses



GSA rate printout for the travel location(s) zip code should be attached



Mileage calculations and transportation receipts included



Gratuities and alcohol should be excluded



Meals and lodging expenses are within GSA limits




Include a calculation to show that hotel room rates and taxes are prorated when they exceed the per diem

# Conference and Seminar Registration Fees

- Employees who pay the registration fees and incur travel expenses to attend a conference/seminar can report the fees on their travel reimbursement voucher.




# Textravel – Hotel Occupancy taxes Maximum Reimbursement

**Fiscal Management**  
Glenn Hegar  
Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts

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**Meals and Lodging**  
Meals  
Lodging  
Hotel occupancy taxes  
Exception for employees of educational organizations  
Exception for certain state officers or employees  
Exception for travel outside Texas

## Hotel occupancy taxes

### Maximum reimbursement

When a **state employee** is entitled to be reimbursed for payment of a hotel occupancy or similar tax and the lodging amount incurred exceeds the maximum allowable lodging rate, the following calculation methods for the tax reimbursement must be used:

If the tax is calculated as a percentage of the lodging rate, then the amount of the reimbursement is equal to the percentage multiplied by the maximum that may be reimbursed to the employee for lodging expenses.



## Prorated hotel room rate and taxes when they exceed the per diem

08/19/22	ROOM CHARGE	RP1214	239.94	187 on FSR (GSA)	Prorated taxes based on \$187 max GSA lodging rate:
08/19/22	Room Tax	RT1214	28.55	22.25	$(28.55/239.94)*187=22.25$
08/19/22	City Tax	CT1214	10.80	8.42	$(10.8/239.94)*187=8.42$
08/19/22	County Tax	T41214	2.40	1.87	$(2.40/239.94)*187=1.87$



# Ineligible Travel Costs

Alcohol or gratuities

Airfare costs that  
exceed coach class

Foreign travel without  
prior CPRIT approval

Travel outside of the  
grant contract effective  
dates

Employee traveling not  
listed on Personnel  
Level of Effort (PLOE)

Dates of travel occur  
outside of the  
employee's PLOE period  
(Travel Only Exception)



# Foreign Currency



Foreign currency travel expenses **must** be:

- converted to US dollar amounts before submitting to CPRIT, and
- documentation of the exchange rate used for the conversion **must** be included with supporting documents.

P&P Guide Reference:  
10.4.4 International Travel Requires  
Prior Approval

# Contractual Travel

Contractual Travel Costs	Required Support Documentation
Airfare	Itemized Amount
Mileage	Itemized Amount
Hotel	Itemized Amount
Meals	Receipts
Taxi/Uber	Receipts

# **RECAP**



- Submit a complete travel expense report for each traveler and include all supporting documents
- Travel receipts should be in same order as GL
- Submit copy of GSA meals and lodging rates with supporting documents
- Submit foreign travel approval with supporting documents
- Convert foreign travel currency expenses to USD and include exchange rate used



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# Travel Expenses

## Q & A



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# Equipment Expense Category



## Polling Question

**Can equipment, not listed in original application, be purchased in lieu of the equipment in the approved application?**

**Answer: Yes**

**With CPRIT approval obtained prior to purchasing the replacement equipment via a Change Not Otherwise Specified (CNOS) change request.**

## Polling Question

**Equipment service agreements cannot be purchased during a NCE.**

Answer: False

Service agreements can be purchased but the cost must be prorated if the service agreement extends beyond the new end date of the grant.

# Equipment

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For all equipment expenses, the grantee **must** include acceptable documentation of CPRIT approval.

Acceptable documentation includes:

- Initial Budget Justification with **equipment items highlighted**
- Approved change request





# Acceptable Equipment Documentation

[My Grants](#) > [Grants](#) > [CR](#)

## Change Requests

Grant ID: [REDACTED]

PI/PD/CR: [REDACTED]

Grant Title: [REDACTED]

Organization: [REDACTED]

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### Change - Not Otherwise Specified

\* Change Request Details:

\* Justification:

I am requesting to rebudget funds allocated to subcontracts to purchase a tissue homogenizer, ~\$6,700.

The remaining experiments require a greater degree of T cells to be recovered from tumors and lymph node tissues than possible from our past animal cohorts. For this reason, we require the equipment purchase of a homogenizer.

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2022-02-07 09:46 Complete Web Form - [REDACTED]

2022-02-07 09:46 Verify Information (verified) - [REDACTED]

2022-02-07 09:51 ASO Review (approved) - [REDACTED]

2022-02-07 12:05 Grant Manager Review (approved) - Moore, Patty (Grants Manager)

2022-02-07 12:07 Contract Manager Review (approved) - Nelson, Lisa (Contract Manager)

# Acceptable Equipment Documentation

LINE	PART ID	DESCRIPTION	U/M	TAX	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	EXTENSION
1	NIS0001	NanoAssemblr Spark Instrument	EA	R	✓ 1.0000	25,116.00	✓ 25,116.00
2		FREIGHT CHARGE	EA	N	0.0000	0.00	78.50

## Detailed Budget for Year One

Other Direct Charges	
Travel	\$3,000
Equipment (Itemized) ✓ Funds are requested to upgrade several instruments to optimize manufacturing and to enhance efficiency. Precision NanoSystems NanoAssemblr, Agilent TapeStation, Shaking Incubator, Oxford Nanopore Technology MinION (refer to budget justification for details).	\$50,000

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# Matching Compliance Certification (MCC)



## Polling Question

### **Which items are allowable match expenses?**

- A. Travel expenses that exceed the GSA per diem limit on hotel rates or meals
- B. Short-term travel visa fees and associated costs for an employee listed on the PLOE
- C. An employee's salary amount that exceeds CPRIT's \$200,000 cap
- D. Grantee professional association fees or dues
- E. None of the above
- F. All of the above

**Answer: F**

# Matching Compliance Certification (MCC)

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- Institutions of Higher Education may use their Federal Indirect Cost Rate to fulfill match requirement
- Institutions of Higher Education **must upload to each grant record** most current indirect cost rate agreement
- If grantee uses a blended indirect cost rate calculation, grantee is **required** to have and follow a documented internal policy

P&P Guide Reference:  
6.4 Matching Funds Certification and Verification



# MCC Support Documentation

Grantees must upload 100% of the supporting documentation when the MCC form is completed and uploaded to CGMS.

MCC will not be approved until all documentation is uploaded and reviewed by CPRIT.

The work must support, extend, or facilitate the CPRIT project in some way, even if it is not funded by CPRIT.

# MCC Required Support Documentation

Match Expenses Ledger

Invoices related to  
Match expenses

# MCC - Deficiency

A match deficiency may be carried forward and added to the matching fund requirement for the next project year so long as:

- Deficiency is equal to or less than 20% of the total matching funds required for the same period; and
- No prior matching funds deficiency





## MCC – Allowable Expenses (not an exhaustive list)

- Any expense that can be claimed for grant reimbursement
- Unrecovered indirect costs up to ten percent (10%) of the grant award amount (in addition to 5% indirect costs claimed for reimbursement) DOES NOT APPLY TO ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS
- An employee's salary amount that exceeds CPRIT's \$200,000 cap
- Travel expenses that exceed the GSA per diem limit on hotel rates or meals
- Airfare costs that exceed coach class airfare
- Foreign travel related to CPRIT's funded project

## MCC – Allowable Expenses (not an exhaustive list)

- Taxes that are effectively user fees (hotel taxes, gasoline tax, or airfare tax)
- Short-term travel visa fees and associated costs for an employee listed on the PLOE
- Grantee professional association fees or dues (related to the CPRIT-funded project)
- Patent application fees and associated patent application preparation costs
- Moving costs of office furnishings or employees of companies relocating to Texas
- Security systems and ongoing security system monitoring fees for physical space

# Match Certification



Grant funds for the next project year will not be distributed until the previous year's matching funds verification and certification for the upcoming year have been **approved**.

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# Matching Compliance Certification Q & A



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# No Cost Extensions (NCE)



## No Cost Extension (NCE)

- Request must be submitted at least 30 days prior to termination date but not more than 180 days prior
- **Grantee must complete the date field on the request**
- More than 6 months can be requested
  - **CPRIT will complete the date field for request greater than 6 months**
  - The increased number of months should be mentioned in the first sentence of the justification

## No Cost Extension (NCE)

- There is no automatic approval. NCEs are based on several factors including;
  - documentation of progress
  - documentation that the work proposed for the NCE is consistent with the initial award
  - grantee must be in good fiscal and programmatic standing
- Approved NCEs
  - **The PI must exhibit measurable effort during an approved NCE**
  - The final report dates will change, but an additional annual report as well as quarterly reports are required until the contract ends

# No Cost Extension PLOE Update

The PLOE for NCEs needs to be updated because the extension time period defaults to zero.

Other Personnel	Level of Effort (LOE)	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Total Person Months Per Person
Role on Project						
Program Coordinator	Type Appt. (months)	0	0	12	12	
	Effort on Project	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%	
	Person Months	0.00	0.00	12.00	0.00	12.00
Co-Program Director	Type Appt. (months)	12	12	12	12	
	Effort on Project	8.00%	8.00%	8.00%	0.00%	
	Person Months	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.00	2.88
Project Assistant	Type Appt. (months)	0	0		12	
	Effort on Project	0.00%	0.00%	60.00%	0.00%	
	Person Months	0.00	0.00	2.40	0.00	2.40
Program Assistant	Type Appt. (months)	0	12	12	12	
	Effort on Project	0.00%	10.00%	10.00%	0.00%	
	Person Months	0.00	1.20	1.20	0.00	2.40
Co-Program Director	Type Appt. (months)	12	12	12	12	
	Effort on Project	8.00%	8.00%	8.00%	0.00%	
	Person Months	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.00	2.88
Program Coordinator	Type Appt. (months)	0	0	4	12	
	Effort on Project	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%	
	Person Months	0.00	0.00	4.00	0.00	4.00
Project Assistant	Type Appt. (months)	0	0	4	12	
	Effort on Project	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%	
	Person Months	0.00	0.00	4.00	0.00	4.00
PI/PD/CR	Type Appt. (months)	12	12	12	12	
	Effort on Project	50.00%	50.00%	50.00%	0.00%	
	Person Months	6.00	6.00	6.00	0.00	18.00
Project Assistant	Type Appt. (months)	0	0	1	0	
	Effort on Project	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%	
	Person Months	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00
Total Person Months Per Year		7.92	9.12	32.52	N/A	49.56

Example of a NCE which resulted in a Year 4 – automatically populates with zeros





# NCE – Frequently Asked Questions

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What research can be conducted during an NCE?

Answer: Only scope of work items and associated aims and sub-aims that have been approved but have not yet been completed can be conducted during an NCE.



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# Programmatic Topics



# Change of Approved Goals and Objectives



- Any changes to the scope of work or budget should be consistent with the guidance provided by reviewers and must be pre- approved by CPRIT through a Changes of Goals and Objectives request form.

P&P Guide Reference:  
11.3 Goals and Objectives



Prior written approval must be given by CPRIT for the purchase of all equipment, unless the specific piece of equipment was budgeted in the approved application or via a CNOS request.

## Purchase of Equipment



Prior written approval must be given by CPRIT for the transfer of an award to another Principal Investigator (PI).

Recruitment Awards are non-transferrable.

Change of PI/Co-Investigator



### **Required documents for review:**

- Context and justification for change
- Bio-sketch of proposed PI
- Resources (equipment, supplies, personnel) available to proposed PI
- Describe impact of change on the project goals and objectives, budget, key personnel, original timeline and CPRIT required reporting.
- Upload a revised budget and level of effort for all key personnel in an ad-hoc folder in CGMS

## Change of PI/Co-Investigator

# Programmatic – Frequently Asked Questions

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**Do we need CPRITs prior approval to modify subcontractors and subcontract budgets listed on the original application?**

**Answer:** Yes, if the award is a Multi-PI and the PI is at a different institution, and if the subcontractor is key personnel.



# Programmatic – Frequently Asked Questions

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**What are options to mitigate funding overlap between CPRIT and new Federal or Foundation Awards?**

Answer: If there is a 100% overlap, a choice must be made between a CPRIT award and/or a Federal, Foundation Award.

With approval from the Federal project officer and CPRIT, one overlapping specific aim with a Federal award can be mitigated by eliminating the aim. The budget will be adjusted accordingly.

It is required that an applicant list all pending and current funding support, regardless of funder in all Academic Research applications.





# Contact Us

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CPRIT's success is based on our funded research project successes.

Please contact us with your pre- and post-award questions.

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# Grant Support



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Contact CPRIT Helpdesk

Email: [Help@CPRITGrants.org](mailto:Help@CPRITGrants.org)

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## Programmatic/ Content questions?

Contact the CPRIT Program Manager/Officer

## Financial Questions/Issues?

Contact CPRIT Finance Manager/ Grant Accountant



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